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1. EC COMMISSION OFFICIALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN LONDON FINANCIAL MEETINGS ON JANUARY 6-7 CONFIRM REPORT IN REF A. WHILE WE GET SOMEWHAT MIXED READINGS, SEVERAL OF OUR SOURCES SUGGEST THAT THE FINANCE MINISTERS REACHED A CONSENSUS ON A "PACKAGE" THE COMMUNITY COULD FLOAT AT THE G-10 MEETINGS. WHILE ONE OR MORE MEMBER STATES DISAGREE WITH SPECIFIC ELEMENTS IN THIS PACKAGE (AND IT APPEARS TO CONFLICT WITH KNOWN POSITIONS IN SOME RESPECTS) SENIOR COMMISSION OFFICIALS CLAIM THERE IS SUFFICIENT AGREEMENT AMONG THE NINE FOR SUCH A PACKAGE TO HAVE A CHANCE OF SURFACING EARLY IN THE MEETINGS. THERE ARE REPORTEDLY FIVE ELEMENTS: A) AN AD HOC SDR-AID LINK; 2) LEGALIZING THE FLOATATION OF CURRENCIES; 3) ACCEPTANCE OF MOST AMENDMENTS TO THE IMF ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT; 4) AN INCREASE OF IMF QUOTAS OF 30-35 PERCENT; AND 5) AGREEING TO TAKE STEPS TOWARD PHASING GOLD OUT OF THE IMF STATUTES. SINCE SEVERAL COUNTRIES HAVE STRONG OBJECTIONS TO SPECIFIC ELEMENTS, IT IS
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NOT CLEAR HOW MUCH WILLINGNESS THERE IS AMONG COM-

MUNITY MEMBERS TO STICK TO SUCH A PACKAGE ONCE NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNDERTAKEN.

2. OUR SOURCES SAY THAT IN THEIR PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS THE FINANCE MINISTERS TOOK UP AGAIN THE PROPOSAL THAT EC CENTRAL BANKS SHOULD SMOOTH OUT DAILY EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS OF EC CURRENCIES AGAINST THE DOLLAR (SEE REF B). THE MINISTERS REPORTEDLY ASKED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EC COMMITTEE OF CENTRAL BANK GOVERNORS, VANDERPUTTE OF BELGIUM, TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER NEXT WEEK WITH NY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OFFICIALS. THE EC HOPES THAT THE US WILL AGREE TO COOPERATE WITH THIS PROPOSAL. GREENWALD

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